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## **AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS**

Please amend the claims as follows:

cancelled

- (previously presented) The method of claim 11, wherein the electromagnetic radiation fluorescently emitted by the compound is in the ultraviolet-visible wavelength ranges.
   cancelled
- 4. cancelled
- 5. (previously presented) The method of claim 11, wherein the step of detecting comprises quantifying the electromagnetic radiation fluorescently emitted by the compound.
- 6. cancelled
- 7. cancelled
- 8. cancelled
- 9. cancelled
- 10. cancelled

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11. (currently amended) A method of using a fluorescent cannabinoid compound as a fluorophore to generate a fluorescence emission signal comprising:

providing a cannabinoid compound having structural formula II below or a physiologically acceptable salt thereof, <u>having an excitation range and an emission</u> range wherein the compound has an endogenous fluorescent property;

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R_1 \\
\hline
R_2 \\
\hline
C \\
\hline
10a \\
\hline
B \\
A \\
\hline
A \\
\hline
R_4
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R_2 \\
\hline
R_3 \\
\hline
R_5 \\
\hline
\end{array}$$

wherein:

W is C=O; Z is O; X is selected from C and CH; Y is selected from NH, N-alkyl, and N=N;

 $R_1$  is any possible member selected from halogen,  $N_3$ , NCS, CN,  $NO_2$ ,  $NQ_1Q_2$ ,  $OQ_3$ , OAc, O-acyl, O-aroyl, NH-acyl, NH-aroyl, CHO, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, COOQ<sub>3</sub>, PO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>3</sub>H, SO<sub>3</sub>alkyl, SO<sub>2</sub>NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>, CONQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>, alkyl and alkyl substituted in any possible position with at least one substituent group,

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members,

Q<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, alkyl, alcohol and alkyl-NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>;

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 $R_2$  is selected from OH, OCH<sub>3</sub>, OPO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, OSO<sub>3</sub>H, OQ<sub>3</sub>, O-COalkyl, O-COalkyl-T<sub>1</sub>, O-CO-T<sub>1</sub>, O-alkyl-T<sub>1</sub> and O-T<sub>1</sub>,

T<sub>1</sub> is in any possible position and is selected from PO<sub>3</sub>H, SO<sub>3</sub>H, an alkyl group containing from 1 to about 16 carbon atoms, tetrahydropyrrole, morpholine, thiomorpholine, piperazine, a heterocyclic ring and NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>,

 $T_1$  is optionally substituted in any possible position with at least one member selected from a substituent group,  $OPO_3H_2$ ,  $OSO_3H$ ,  $PO_3H_2$ , a heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring,

Q<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, alkyl, alcohol and alkyl-NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>;

R<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, OH, halogen, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub> and C1 to C4 alkyl,

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members;

 $R_4$  is selected from H, OH, halogen, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub> and C1 to C4 alkyl;

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members; and

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 $R_5$  is selected from  $-D_1-D_2-T_2$  and  $-D_2-T_2$ .

D<sub>1</sub>, if present, is selected from alkyl, a carbocyclic ring, a heterocyclic ring, alkylamino and NH,

D<sub>2</sub> is selected from an alkyl group having from one to about sixteen carbon atoms, a bicyclic ring, a tricyclic ring, a heterocyclic ring, an aromatic ring, a heteroaromatic ring, 1-adamantyl-T<sub>3</sub>, 2-adamantyl-T<sub>3</sub>, adamantan-1-ylmethyl-T<sub>3</sub>, adamantan-2-ylidenemethyl-T<sub>3</sub>, alkylamino, di-alkylamino and NH,

 $\mathsf{T}_2$  is selected from, in any possible position, a substituent group and -CO- $\mathsf{T}_4$ ,

T<sub>3</sub> is an alkyl group having from 0 to about 9 carbon atoms,

T<sub>4</sub> is selected from H, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, OH, NH<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, alkyl, alkoxy, a heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring:

exciting the cannabinoid compound with electromagnetic radiation <u>having a</u> wavelength at or around the excitation range; and

detecting the electromagnetic radiation fluorescently emitted by the cannabinoid compound at a wavelength at or around the emission range.

## 12. cancelled

- 13. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 wherein R<sub>1</sub> is any possible member selected from halogen, OH, an alkyl group having 1 to about 5 carbon atoms and an alkyl group having 1 to about 5 carbon atoms and substituted in any possible position with at least one member selected from OH, CHO, COOH, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, CN, PO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>3</sub>H and SO<sub>3</sub>alkyl.
- 14. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 wherein  $R_5$  is selected from -D<sub>1</sub>-D<sub>2</sub>-T<sub>2</sub> and -D<sub>2</sub>-T<sub>2</sub>,

D<sub>1</sub>, if present, is selected from alkyl, a carbocyclic ring having 4 to 6 ring members and a heterocyclic ring having 4 to 6 ring members and 1,3 di-heteroatoms

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each heteroatom independently selected from O, S and N,

D<sub>2</sub> is selected from an alkyl group having from one to about sixteen carbon atoms, a bicyclic ring, a tricyclic ring, 1-adamantyl-T<sub>3</sub>, 2-adamantyl-T<sub>3</sub>, adamantan-1-ylmethyl-T<sub>3</sub>, adamantan-2-ylidenemethyl-T<sub>3</sub>, alkylamino, di-alkylamino and NH

T<sub>2</sub> is selected from, in any possible position, a substituent group and -CO-T<sub>4</sub>,

T<sub>3</sub> is an alkyl group having from 0 to about 9 carbon atoms, and T<sub>4</sub> is selected from alkyl, a heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring.

15. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 wherein:

X is C;

R<sub>1</sub> is selected from methyl, OH, CH<sub>2</sub>OH, halogen and C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>;

 $R_2$  is selected from OH, OCH<sub>3</sub>, OPO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, OSO<sub>3</sub>H, OQ<sub>3</sub>, O-COalkyl, O-COalkyl-T<sub>1</sub>, O-CO-T<sub>1</sub>, O-alkyl-T<sub>1</sub> and O-T<sub>1</sub>,

T<sub>1</sub> is in any possible position and is selected from PO<sub>3</sub>H, SO<sub>3</sub>H, an alkyl group containing from 1 to about 16 carbon atoms, tetrahydropyrrole, morpholine, thiomorpholine, piperazine, a heterocyclic ring and NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>,

 $T_1$  is optionally substituted in any possible position with at least one member selected from a substituent group,  $OPO_3H_2$ ,  $OSO_3H$ ,  $PO_3H_2$ , a heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring,

Q<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, alkyl, alcohol and alkyl-NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>;

R<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, OH, halogen, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub> and an alkyl group having 1 to about 4 carbon atoms,

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

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 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members;

R<sub>4</sub> is selected from H, OH, halogen, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub> and an alkyl group having 1 to about 4 carbon atoms,

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members; and

 $R_5$  is selected from  $-D_1-D_2-T_2$  and  $-D_2-T_2$ ,

 $D_1$ , if present, is selected from a carbocyclic ring, a heterocyclic ring, alkylamino and NH,

 $D_2$  is selected from an alkyl group having from one to about sixteen carbon atoms, a bicyclic ring, a tricyclic ring, 1-adamantyl- $T_3$ , 2-adamantyl- $T_3$ , adamantan-1-ylmethyl- $T_3$ , adamantan-2-ylidenemethyl- $T_3$ , alkylamino, dialkylamino and NH,

 $\mathsf{T}_2$  is selected from, in any possible position, a substituent group and -CO-  $\mathsf{T}_4$ .

T<sub>3</sub> is an alkyl group having from 0 to about 9 carbon atoms,

T<sub>4</sub> is selected from H, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, OH, NH<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, alkyl, alkoxy, alkylamino, di-alkylamino, a heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring.

16. (previously presented) The method of claim 11 wherein:

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X is C;

R<sub>1</sub> is selected from methyl, OH and CH<sub>2</sub>OH;

 $R_2$  is selected from OH, OCH<sub>3</sub>, OPO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, OSO<sub>3</sub>H, OQ<sub>3</sub>, O-COalkyl, O-COalkyl-T<sub>1</sub>, O-CO-T<sub>1</sub>, O-alkyl-T<sub>1</sub> and O-T<sub>1</sub>,

T<sub>1</sub> is in any possible position and is selected from PO<sub>3</sub>H, SO<sub>3</sub>H, an alkyl group containing from 1 to about 16 carbon atoms, tetrahydropyrrole, morpholine, thiomorpholine, piperazine, a heterocyclic ring and NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>,

T<sub>1</sub> is optionally substituted in any possible position with at least one member selected from a substituent group, OPO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, OSO<sub>3</sub>H, PO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, a heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring,

Q<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, alkyl, alcohol and alkyl-NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>;

R<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, OH, halogen, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub> and an alkyl group having 1 to about 4 carbon atoms,

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members:

R<sub>4</sub> is selected from H, OH, halogen, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub> and an alkyl group having 1 to about 4 carbon atoms,

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

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 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members; and

 $R_5$  is selected from  $-D_1-D_2-T_2$  and  $-D_2-T_2$ ,

D<sub>1</sub>, if present, is selected from an alkyl, a carbocyclic ring having 4 to 6 ring members and a heterocyclic ring having 4 to 6 ring members and 1,3 di-heteroatoms each heteroatom independently selected from O, S and N,

D<sub>2</sub> is selected from an alkyl group having from one to about sixteen carbon atoms, alkylamino, d-alkylamino, NH, a bicyclic ring, a tricyclic terpine, 1-adamantyl-T<sub>3</sub>, 2-adamantyl-T<sub>3</sub>, adamantan-1-ylmethyl-T<sub>3</sub> and adamantan-2-ylidenemethyl-T<sub>3</sub>,

T<sub>2</sub> is selected from, in any possible position, a substituent group and -CO-T<sub>4</sub>,

T<sub>3</sub> is an alkyl group having from 0 to about 9 carbon atoms, and

T<sub>4</sub> is selected from alkyl, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub> aminoalkyl, di-aminoalkyl, NH2, a heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring.

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- 19. cancelled

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20. (previously presented) A test kit comprising a cannabimimetic compound having an endogenous fluorescent property and the structural formula

wherein:

Y is selected from NH, N-alkyl, and N=N Z is O; X is selected from C and CH; and W is C=O and the C ring is aromatic;

 $R_1$  is any possible member selected from halogen,  $N_3$ , NCS, CN, NO<sub>2</sub>, NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>, OQ<sub>3</sub>, OAc, O-acyl, O-aroyl, NH-acyl, NH-aroyl, CHO, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, COOQ<sub>3</sub>, PO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>3</sub>H, SO<sub>3</sub>alkyl, SO<sub>2</sub>NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>, CONQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>, alkyl and alkyl substituted in any possible position with at least one substituent group,

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members,

Q<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, alkyl, alcohol and alkyl-NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>;

 $R_2$  is selected from OH, OCH<sub>3</sub>, OPO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, OSO<sub>3</sub>H, OQ<sub>3</sub>, O-COalkyl, O-COalkyl-T<sub>1</sub>, O-CO-T<sub>1</sub>, O-alkyl-T<sub>1</sub> and O-T<sub>1</sub>,

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 $T_1$  is in any possible position and is selected from  $PO_3H$ ,  $SO_3H$ , an alkyl group containing from 1 to about 16 carbon atoms, tetrahydropyrrole, morpholine, thiomorpholine, piperazine, a heterocyclic ring and  $NQ_1Q_2$ ,

T<sub>1</sub> is optionally substituted in any possible position with at least one member selected from a substituent group, OPO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, OSO<sub>3</sub>H, PO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, a heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring,

Q<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, alkyl, alcohol and alkyl-NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>;

R<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, OH, halogen, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub> and C1 to C4 alkyl,

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

 $\mathsf{Q}_1$  and  $\mathsf{Q}_2$  together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members:

R<sub>4</sub> is selected from H, OH, halogen, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub> and C1 to C4 alkyl;

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members; and

 $R_5$  is selected from -D<sub>1</sub>-D<sub>2</sub>-T<sub>2</sub> and -D<sub>2</sub>-T<sub>2</sub>,

D<sub>1</sub>, if present, is selected from alkyl, a carbocyclic ring, a heterocyclic ring, alkylamino and NH,

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 $D_2$  is selected from an alkyl group having from one to about sixteen carbon atoms, a bicyclic ring, a tricyclic ring, a heterocyclic ring, an aromatic ring, a heteroaromatic ring, 1-adamantyl- $T_3$ , 2-adamantyl- $T_3$ , adamantan-1-ylmethyl- $T_3$ , er adamantan-2-ylidenemethyl- $T_3$ , alkylamino, di-alkylamino and NH,

 $\mathsf{T}_2$  is selected from, in any possible position, a substituent group and -CO-  $\mathsf{T}_4$ ,

T<sub>3</sub> is an alkyl group having from 0 to about 9 carbon atoms,

T<sub>4</sub> is selected from H, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, OH, NH<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, alkyl, alkoxy, a
heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring.

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26. (previously presented) A compound of formula II, and physiologically acceptable salts thereof.

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R_1 \\
X \\
C \\
C \\
B \\
B \\
A
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R_2 \\
R_3 \\
R_5
\end{array}$$

wherein:

W is C=O;

X is selected from C and CH;

Y is selected from NH, N-alkyl and N=N;

Z is O;

 $R_1$  is any possible member selected from halogen,  $N_3$ , NCS, CN,  $NO_2$ ,  $NQ_1Q_2$ ,  $OQ_3$ , OAc, O-acyl, O-aroyl, NH-acyl, NH-aroyl, CHO, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, COOQ<sub>3</sub>, PO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>3</sub>H, SO<sub>3</sub>alkyl, SO<sub>2</sub>NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>, CONQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>, alkyl and alkyl substituted in any possible position with at least one substituent group,

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members,

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Q<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, alkyl, alcohol and alkyl-NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>;

 $R_2$  is selected from  $H_7$  OH, OCH $_3$ , OPO $_3H_2$ , OSO $_3H$ , OQ $_3$ , O-COalkyl, O-COalkyl- $T_1$ , O-CO- $T_1$ , O-alkyl- $T_1$  and O-T1,

T<sub>1</sub> is in any possible position and is selected from PO<sub>3</sub>H, SO<sub>3</sub>H, an alkyl group containing from 1 to about 16 carbon atoms, tetrahydropyrrole, morpholine, thiomorpholine, piperazine, a heterocyclic ring and NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>,

T<sub>1</sub> is optionally substituted in any possible position with at least one member selected from a substituent group, OPO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, OSO<sub>3</sub>H, PO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, a heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring,

Q<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, alkyl, alcohol and alkyl-NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>;

R<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, OH, halogen, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub> and C1 to C4 alkyl,

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members;

 $R_4$  is selected from H, OH, halogen, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub> and C1 to C4 alkyl;

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

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Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members; and

R<sub>5</sub> is selected from -D<sub>1</sub>-D<sub>2</sub>-T<sub>2</sub> and -D<sub>2</sub>-T<sub>2</sub>.

D<sub>1</sub>, if present, is selected from alkyl, a carbocyclic ring, a heterocyclic ring, alkylamino and NH,

 $D_2$  is selected from an alkyl group having from one to about sixteen carbon atoms, a bicyclic ring, a tricyclic ring, a heterocyclic ring, an aromatic ring, a heteroaromatic ring, 1-adamantyl- $T_3$ , 2-adamantyl- $T_3$ , adamantan-1-ylmethyl- $T_3$ , adamantan-2-ylidenemethyl- $T_3$ , alkylamino, di-alkylamino and NH,

 $\mathsf{T}_2$  is selected from, in any possible position, a substituent group and -CO-  $\mathsf{T}_4$ ,

 $T_3$  is an alkyl group having from 0 to about 9 carbon atoms,

T<sub>4</sub> is selected from H, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, OH, NH<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, alkyl, alkoxy, a heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring

but if W is C=O and Y is O then R<sub>5</sub> is not CH2COOH or CH2COOEt.

## 27. cancelled

- 28. (previously presented) The compound of claim 26 wherein R<sub>1</sub> is any possible member selected from halogen, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, alkyl amino, di-alkylamino, NH<sub>2</sub>, OH, an alkyl group having 1 to about 5 carbon atoms and an alkyl group having 1 to about 5 carbon atoms and substituted in any possible position with at least one member selected from OH, CHO, COOH, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, CN, PO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>3</sub>H and SO<sub>3</sub>alkyl.
- 29. (previously presented) The compound of claim 26 wherein  $R_5$  is selected from  $-D_1-D_2-T_2$  and  $-D_2-T_2$ ,

D<sub>1</sub>, if present, is selected from alkyl, a carbocyclic ring having 4 to 6 ring

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members and a heterocyclic ring having 4 to 6 ring members and 1,3 di-heteroatoms each heteroatom independently selected from O, S and N,

D<sub>2</sub> is selected from an alkyl group having from one to about sixteen carbon atoms, a bicyclic ring, a tricyclic terpine, 1-adamantyl-T<sub>3</sub>, 2-adamantyl-T<sub>3</sub>, adamantan-1-ylmethyl-T<sub>3</sub>, adamantan-2-ylidenemethyl-T<sub>3</sub>, alkylamino, di-alkylamino and NH

T<sub>2</sub> is selected from, in any possible position, a substituent group and -CO-T<sub>4</sub>,

T<sub>3</sub> is an alkyl group having from 0 to about 9 carbon atoms, and T<sub>4</sub> is selected from alkyl, a heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring.

30. (previously presented) The compound of claim 26 wherein:

X is C;

R<sub>1</sub> is selected from methyl, OH, CH<sub>2</sub>OH, halogen and C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>;

 $R_2$  is selected from OH, OCH<sub>3</sub>, OPO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, OSO<sub>3</sub>H, OQ<sub>3</sub>, O-COalkyl, O-COalkyl-T<sub>1</sub>, O-CO-T<sub>1</sub>, O-alkyl-T<sub>1</sub> and O-T<sub>1</sub>,

T<sub>1</sub> is in any possible position and is selected from PO<sub>3</sub>H, SO<sub>3</sub>H, an alkyl group containing from 1 to about 16 carbon atoms, tetrahydropyrrole, morpholine, thiomorpholine, piperazine, a heterocyclic ring and NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>,

 $T_1$  is optionally substituted in any possible position with at least one member selected from a substituent group,  $OPO_3H_2$ ,  $OSO_3H$ ,  $PO_3H_2$ , a heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring,

Q<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, alkyl, alcohol and alkyl-NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>;

R<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, OH, halogen, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub> and an alkyl group having 1 to about 4 carbon atoms,

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

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 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members;

R<sub>4</sub> is selected from H, OH, halogen, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub> and an alkyl group having 1 to about 4 carbon atoms,

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members; and

 $R_5$  is selected from  $-D_1-D_2-T_2$  and  $-D_2-T_2$ ,

D<sub>1</sub>, if present, is selected from alkyl, a carbocyclic ring, a heterocyclic ring, alkylamino and NH,

 $D_2$  is selected from an alkyl group having from one to about sixteen carbon atoms, a bicyclic ring, a tricyclic ring, 1-adamantyl- $T_3$ , 2-adamantyl- $T_3$ , adamantan-1-ylmethyl- $T_3$ , adamantan-2-ylidenemethyl- $T_3$ , alkylamino, dialkylamino and NH,

 $\mathsf{T}_2$  is selected from, in any possible position, a substituent group and -CO-  $\mathsf{T}_4$ ,

T<sub>3</sub> is an alkyl group having from 0 to about 9 carbon atoms,

T<sub>4</sub> is selected from H, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, OH, NH<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, alkyl, alkoxy, alkylamino, di-alkylamino, a heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring.

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31. (previously presented) The compound of claim 26 wherein:

X is C;

R<sub>1</sub> is selected from methyl, OH and CH<sub>2</sub>OH;

 $R_2$  is selected from OH, OCH<sub>3</sub>, OPO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, OSO<sub>3</sub>H, OQ<sub>3</sub>, O-COalkyl, O-COalkyl-T<sub>1</sub>, O-CO-T<sub>1</sub>, O-alkyl-T<sub>1</sub> and O-T<sub>1</sub>,

 $T_1$  is in any possible position and is selected from  $PO_3H$ ,  $SO_3H$ , an alkyl group containing from 1 to about 16 carbon atoms, tetrahydropyrrole, morpholine, thiomorpholine, piperazine, a heterocyclic ring and  $NQ_1Q_2$ ,

T<sub>1</sub> is optionally substituted in any possible position with at least one member selected from a substituent group, OPO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, OSO<sub>3</sub>H, PO<sub>3</sub>H<sub>2</sub>, a heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring,

Q<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, alkyl, alcohol and alkyl-NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub>;

R<sub>3</sub> is selected from H, OH, halogen, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub> and an alkyl group having 1 to about 4 carbon atoms,

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members;

R<sub>4</sub> is selected from H, OH, halogen, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub>, CN, N<sub>3</sub>, NCS, NQ<sub>1</sub>Q<sub>2</sub> and an alkyl group having 1 to about 4 carbon atoms,

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> are each independently selected from H and alkyl, or

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 $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$  together comprise part of a heterocyclic ring having about 4 to about 7 ring members and optionally one additional heteroatom selected from O, N and S, or

Q<sub>1</sub> and Q<sub>2</sub> together comprise part of an imide ring having about 5 to about 6 members; and

 $R_5$  is selected from  $-D_1-D_2-T_2$  and  $-D_2-T_2$ ,

D<sub>1</sub>, if present, is selected from alkyl, a carbocyclic ring having 4 to 6 ring members and a heterocyclic ring having 4 to 6 ring members and 1,3 di-heteroatoms each heteroatom independently selected from O, S and N,

 $D_2$  is selected from an alkyl group having from one to about sixteen carbon atoms, alkylamino, di-alkylamino, NH, a bicyclic ring, a tricyclic ring, 1-adamantyl- $T_3$ , 2-adamantyl- $T_3$ , adamantan-1-ylmethyl- $T_3$  and adamantan-2-ylidenemethyl- $T_3$ ,

T<sub>2</sub> is selected from, in any possible position, a substituent group and -CO-T<sub>4</sub>,

T<sub>3</sub> is an alkyl group having from 0 to about 9 carbon atoms, and

T<sub>4</sub> is selected from alkyl, C(halogen)<sub>3</sub> aminoalkyl, di-aminoalkyl, NH2, a heterocyclic ring and a heteroaromatic ring.

Claims 32-40. cancelled

## 41. cancelled

- 42. (currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutically effective amount of at least one compound from of claim 26 or a physiologically acceptable salt thereof.
- 43. cancelled
- 44. (currently amended) A method of stimulating modulating at least one of the CB1

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and CB2 cannabinoid receptors in an individual or animal comprising administering to the individual or animal a therapeutically effective amount of at least one compound from of claim 26 or a physiologically acceptable salt thereof.